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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated October 28, 2005, having a shortened statutory period expiring on January 28, 2006. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page **2** of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page **5** of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page **11** of this paper.

Remarks begin on page **12** of this paper.